EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO.: EL 569 074 664 US PATENT APPLICATION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE polication of: Paul J. Roy et al. Serial No.: 10/002,026) Art Unit unknown Filed: November 15, 2001 Confirmation No.: unknown For: SCHEDULING AND MULTIPLEXING DATA JAN 1 6 2002 Technology Center 2100 FOR BROADCAST TRANSMISSION OVER MULTIPLE STREAMS INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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